


UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION V

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Subject: Trip Report to Oil Cleanup at Texaco/North Bible Grove Unit Site, Clay County, Illinois

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On November 19, 1997, I visited the voluntary cleanup being conducted by Texaco at the North Bible Grove Unit site, Clay County, Illinois. This site is a former oil production facility which had a number of aboveground tanks and a large pit. The pit had been overflowing oily material onto adjacent farmland, and threatened nearby waterways.

The cleanup has been voluntarily assumed by Texaco; there is no order with USEPA.

At the time of the site visit on November 19, all the surface structures (buildings, tanks) had been removed; a few tanks were staged at one corner of the site for later removal. The pit had been emptied of brine, and was being stabilized. Work on the pit was approximately 70% completed. Fill dirt was being stockpiled on site from a farm field across the road from the site. See attached photos.

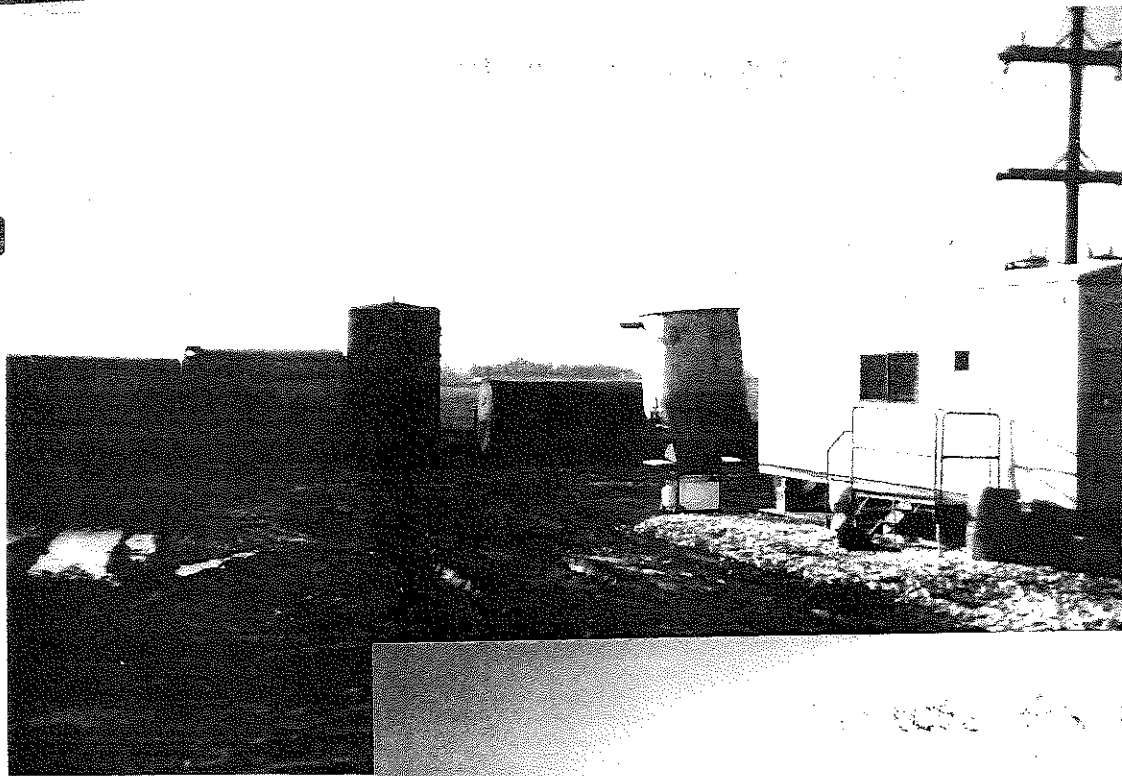
I was very impressed with the work that has already been completed. I expect that site work will be completed within the next few weeks.



N Bible Grove - looking north; pit to right of Danner.
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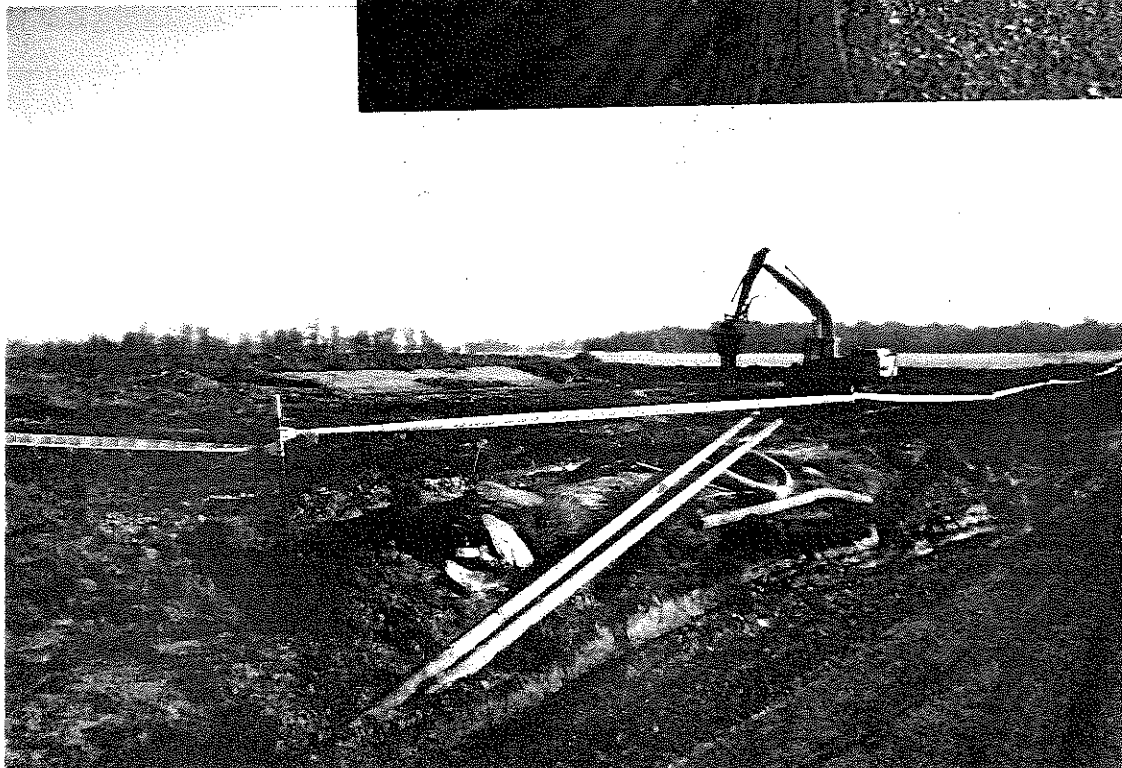
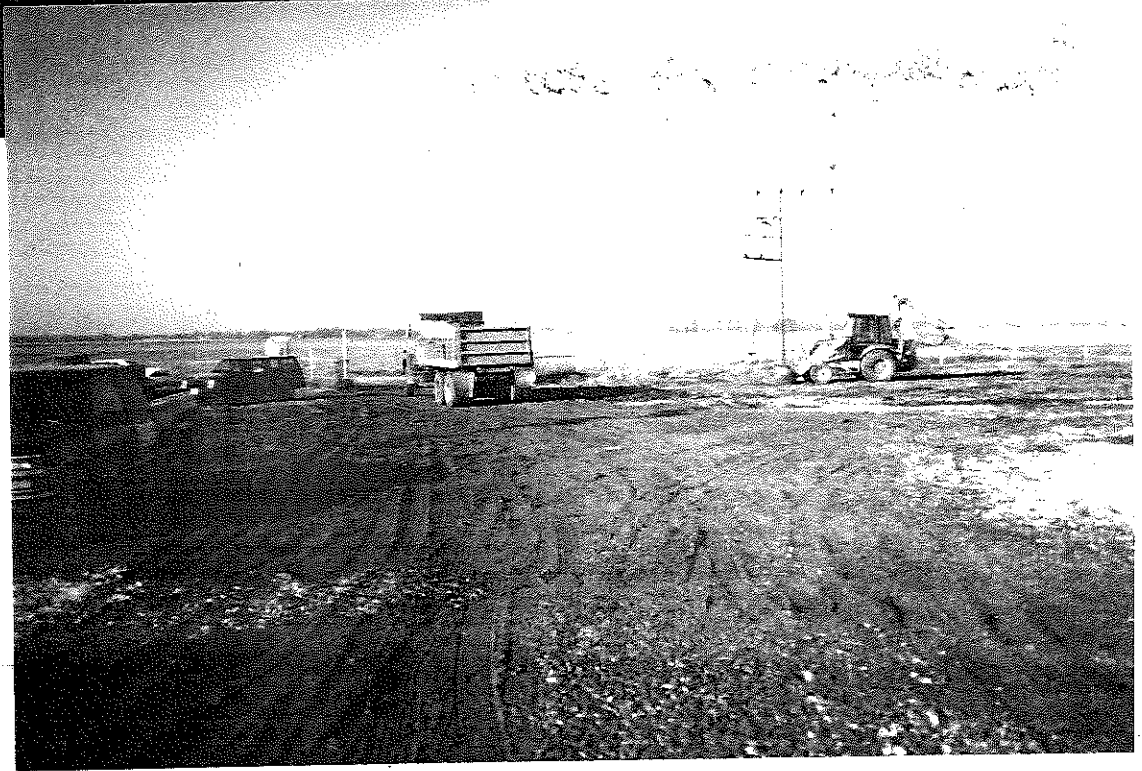


N. Bible Grove - looking east/NE; pit beyond Danner
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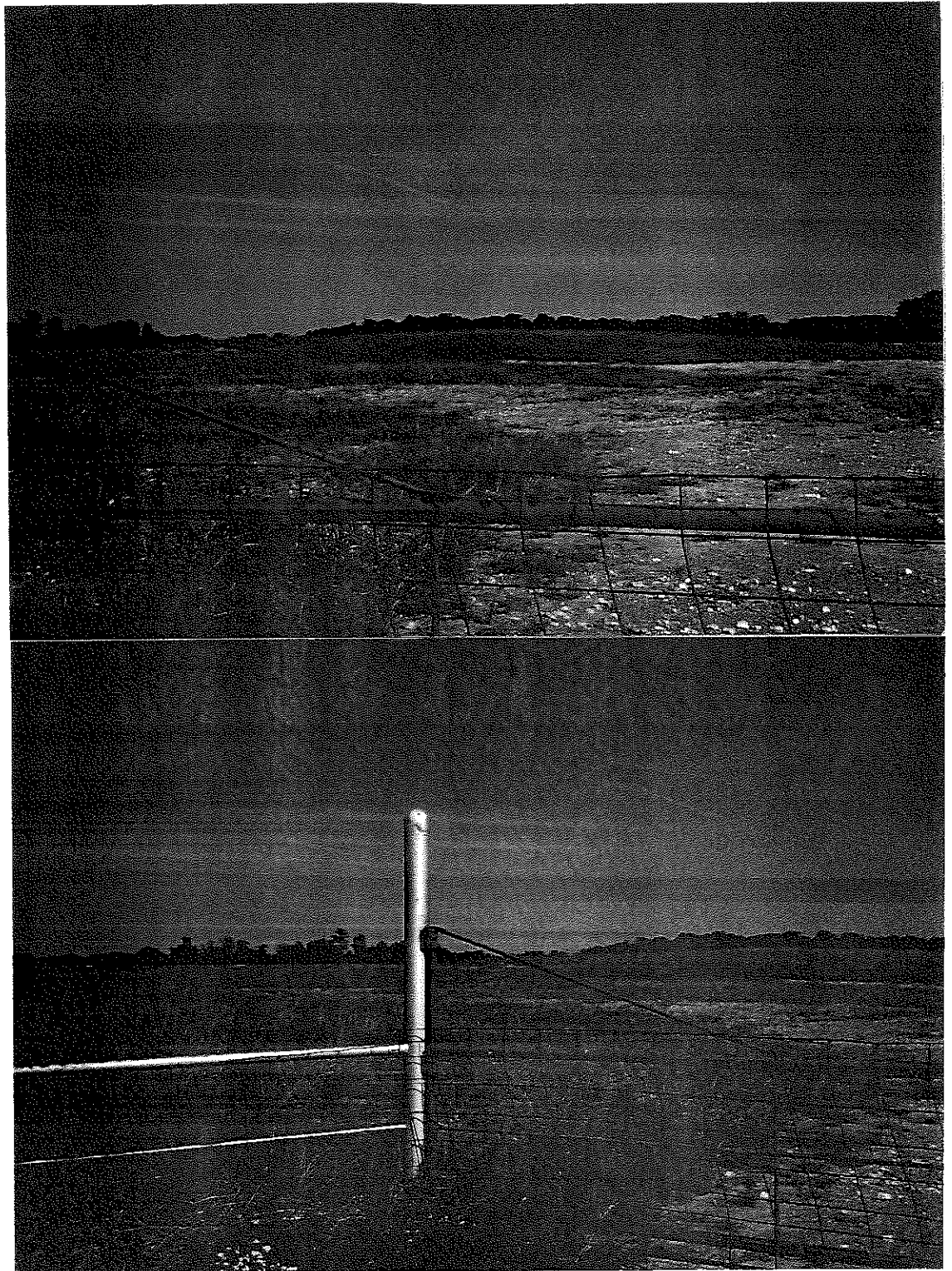
N. Bible Grove
looking south;
tanks staged
at SW corner
of site
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N. Bible Grove
looking west
(used to be tanks,
buildings to
right + left ^{side} of
photo)
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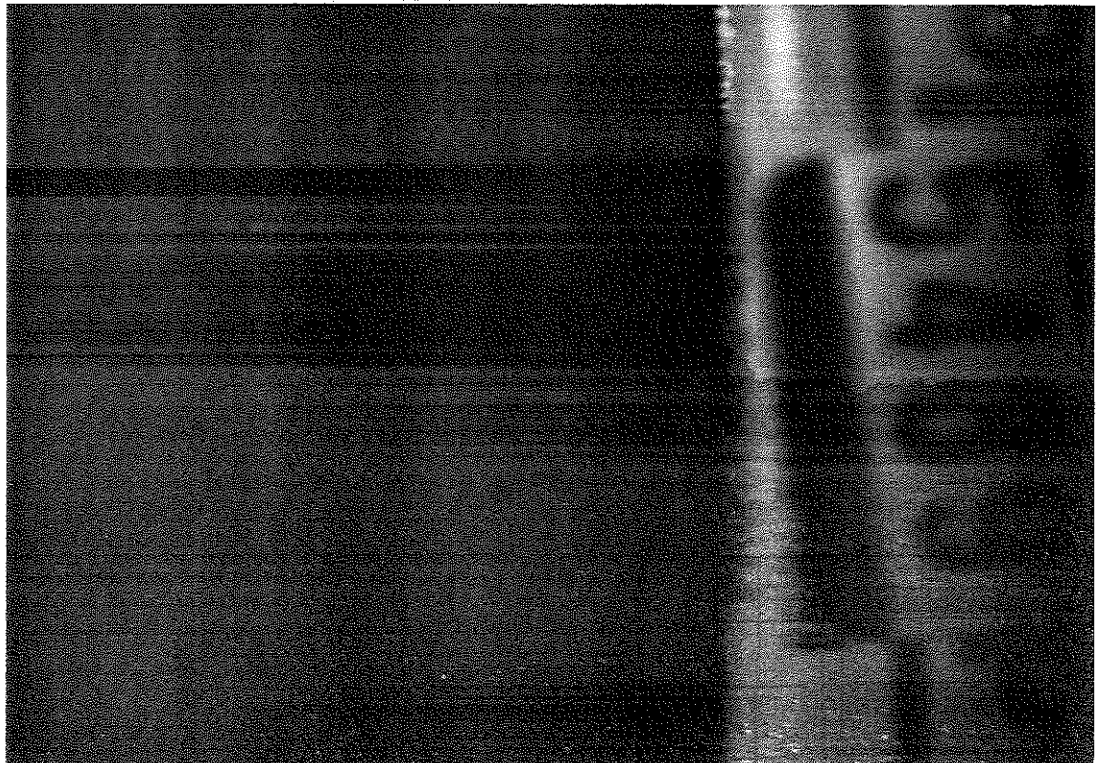
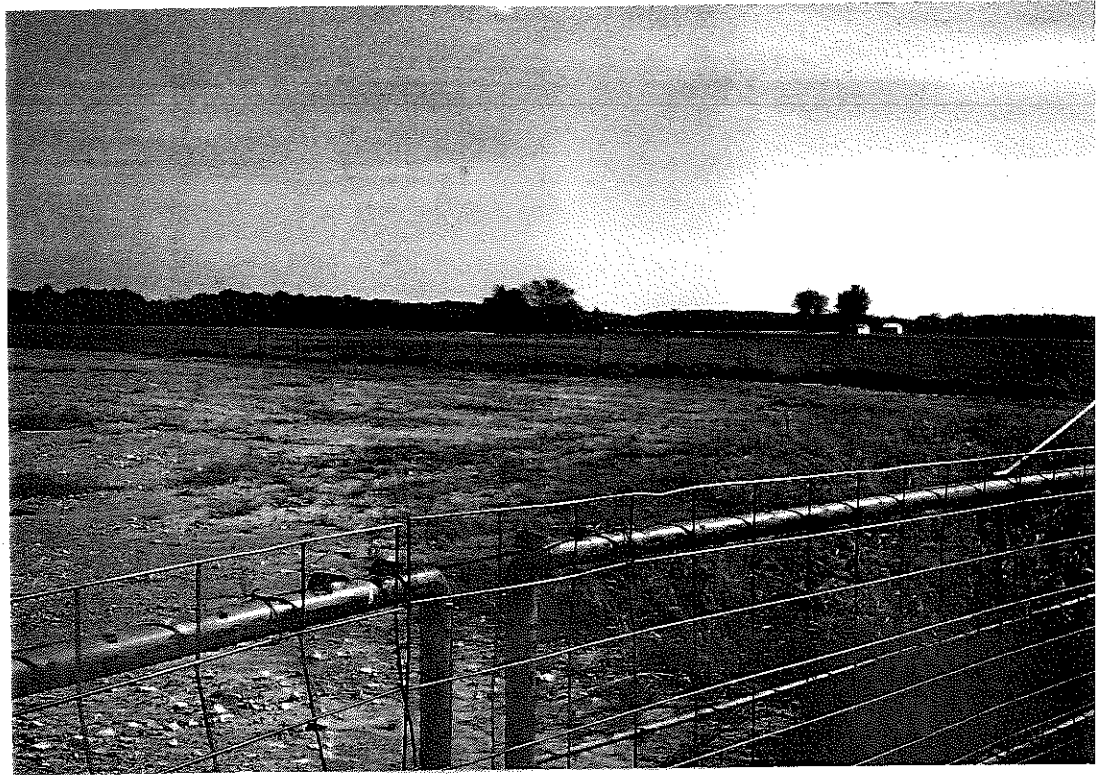


N. Bible Grove
looking east/NE
pit inside
Danner.
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Tepic -
Bella
Grave



Refined -
Bleed
Grove



Tepic -
Belle
Grove

